¶ By the Queene.

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THE Queenes Highneſſe vpon many great conſiderations for the benefit of her Common Weale, doeth will and ſtraightly command all maner of perſons of what condition ſo euer they be, otherwiſe then ſuch as be, or ſhall be excuſed by vnfained ſickneſſe, or licenced by the authoritie of her Maieſtie, or her Progenitors: to abſteine from killing, dreſſing, or eating of any fleſh, vpon all ſuch vſuall Faſting dayes, and namely the time commonly called the Lent, vpon paine of her Maieſties indignation and impriſonment during her Maieſties pleaſure, and ſuch further fine as therefore ſhall ſeeme meet.

FOR the better execution whereof, her Maieſtie chargeth all Juſtices of Peace, and all Maiors, Bailiffes, and head officers of Cities and Townes corporate, eſpecially of her Cities of London, and Weſtminſter, vpon proofe by two ſufficient witneſſes before them had, to commit the offendors thereof to priſon, there to remaine during her Maieſties pleaſure, and to make fine for the ſame accordingly.

AND finally her Maieſtie willeth and requireth all ſuch as ſhall be vpon neceſſitie and iuſt cauſe licenced as aboue is ſaid, that as they regard her Maieſties fauour, they will vſe the ſame as modeſtly and ſecretly as they may, both to auoyd exceſſe, and euill example.

Giuen at Our Palace of Weſtminſter, the vij. day of February, the firſt yeere of Our Raigne.

God ſaue the Queene.

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